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Column One
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IT is a sick world, in perpetual unrest and frincular ill-humours. The worst spot of late has been the Middle East; but clinical evidence is begrudging once again to point to the Far East and especially to South East Asia as the zone of rising sensitivity.

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BAO Dai, from all responsible accounts, has been a complete failure in Viet Nam although the effect of General de Lattre's forceful policies, less skilfully followed up by his successor, has been to stabilise the military situation, especially in the decisive Red River delta, and to balance the flow of Chinese arms to Ho Chi-minh with an impressive flow of American arms to Viet Nam. The unsatisfactory civil administration at Saigon is having almost as bad an influence upon the people of Indo-China as the administration of Syngman Rhee upon the people and prospects of Korea, and there is wellfounded fear that this, together with an increase in Chinese supplies to Ho Chi-minh, may neutralise the results of General de Lattre's vigour and of U.S. arms.

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IN Burma, too, political failure has had the customary effects. The Government is demonstrably incompetent and in Rangoon everyone is waiting upon its collapse. To make matters worse, the Chinese Nationalist forces, locked up in almost inaccessible stretches of the Shan States, are still defying the Burmese Government and threatening to drag the country into a dispute with Peking. The Nationalists are reported to have begun fighting among themselves but somehow are still maintaining effective contact with Formosa. The position is no better in Siam, where another coup is thought to be inevitable.

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IN Malaya, General Templer has made some progress and caught some illustrious "bandits." But political Communism is said to be growing, and the Singapore-sponsored Dato Onn has been unable to lead the unruly nationalisms of this bi-racial country into his moderate Independence of Malaya party. According to British newspaper observers, the wiping out of a few hundred "bandits" — at great cost in money and manpower — will leave the essential Malayan problem untouched; as, indeed, all such problems in South East Asia, from Burma to the Philippines, must be left unless the area is treated as a unit. For there is little doubt that the revolutionary movements of all these countries are bound close together, and that the military suppression of any one of them can only have a temporary effect as long as the others remain active.

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AS far as can be made out, last week's meeting of the Pacific Defence Council at Honolulu touched the problem only in passing. It is evident that the United States feels that it is almost at the limit of its capacity to aid small, unstable countries. There is little chance, therefore, of the Pacific Council's becoming an equivalent to NATO or even the instrument for a kind of Pacific Truman Doctrine. For that matter, it may be argued in Washington that one Korea is enough and that, as matters stand, the small, South East Asian States must be left to their own devices. On the whole, they look like rickety devices.

Tel Aviv, August 11.

Cabinet Takes Back Zionist Status Bill

By MOSHE BRILLIANT

The bill granting the World Zionist Organization a special status was withdrawn from the Knesset yesterday by the Government.

The action was taken after the House had voted on Monday to accord the W.Z.O. the status of "the representative organization of all the Jewish people" instead of that of an "authorized agency" as the Government had proposed. The clause providing for the status of "representative organization," which was in accordance with the request of the Zionist Congress last August, had passed on Monday by 31 votes to 27, which meant that only 58 of the 120 members participated in the vote.

The formula adopted on Monday was opposed by the Government who from the start had taken the view that the Knesset could not in principle legislate what body could represent Jews abroad.

It was felt, moreover, that there were many Jews and Jewish organizations which were not part of the Zionist Movement and who had no intention of joining the World Zionist Organization, who were interested in supporting and working for Israel and in direct contact with it. The Government did not wish to do anything to lessen their goodwill or to interfere with their direct connection with the State.

The Government believed that the status of an "authorized agency" and the recognition of the parenthood of the Zionist Movement were worthy tributes and expressions of the actual relationship. This original intention could not be vitiated by a "snap division," the source added. What had been voted was not a verbal amendment but an alteration in the substance of the law.

The Cabinet was prepared to press its view to the point of resignation, a Government source indicated last night.

This had not been necessary, however, as the second reading of the bill was not completed on Monday because of a deadlock on a minor declaratory article. The Government has the right to withdraw any legislation it initiates at any stage before its final passage.

The Government now intends to present the bill again for a first reading in its original form. If the Knesset is at full strength there is no question that it will get a majority.

King Feisal in U.S.

NEW YORK, Tuesday (AP). — Iraq's 17-year-old King Feisal arrived here aboard the Queen Mary today. He will have lunch with President Truman on Saturday.

Tomorrow he will be given the city's traditional welcome parade up Broadway to be received by Mayor Vincent Impellitteri.

Iran Recruiting German Oilmen

AUGSBURG, Tuesday (AP). — A recruiting drive for German experts to work in the nationalized Persian oil industries will start within two weeks, Hussein Makki, Secretary-General of the Persian National Front, said here today.

British Cabinet Meets on Persia

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Cabinet Ministers today studied a draft reply to Persia's new proposals for negotiations with the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company on claims and counter-claims in the oil dispute.

The Ministers, comprising the Cabinet's Persia Committee, met at the Foreign Office with Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden presiding.

The general British standpoint, it is believed here, is still that Britain would wish to negotiate on the future operation of the oil industry and not on compensation claims only.

Makki, who is also State Commissioner for the nationalized oil industries, added that specialists from the Netherlands, Denmark and Switzerland are "also desirable." But "experts from the Anglo-Saxon countries will no longer be contracted," Makki said a news conference here.

Makki said he will stay in Germany — "our national trade partner" — until the middle of September. He is accompanied by an economic adviser and a parliamentary Deputy. He reported that the "British-ordered oil boycott" has caused a "serious economic crisis" in Persia "but we are ready to make sacrifices and live in poverty to exclude the political influence which a foreign people has had in Persia until now."

"After the decision of the International Court we will find willing buyers all over the world. Those countries which are ready to conclude trade agreements with Persia doubtless will fill find a way to solve the critical transport question." The International Court at The Hague had declared itself incompetent to rule in the Anglo-Persian oil dispute.

"The free world must understand that there are limits to the patience of the Persian people," Makki continued.

"If we have not used the Persian people to kill into the hands of Communism, we must take adequate precautionary measures. Persia finds herself all less than the leaders to sell freely the products of the country."

TANKERS EN ROUTE

TEHERAN, Tuesday (Reuter). — A fleet of tankers totalling 160,000 tons is sailing to Persian Gulf ports, Queen Salote of Tonga and her entourage aboard, said here today.

The vessel is Managing Director of EPIM, the Italian oil company involved in the Persian oil deal which, in the July issue of Petroleum Press Service, reported the engagement of oil tycoon Paraly Gulbenkian in the negotiations of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company's holdings.

Martial Law In Teheran Lifted

TEHERAN, Tuesday (Reuter). —Premier Mohammed Mossadegh informed the Majlis (Lower House) by letter today that martial law in Teheran would be lifted from today after being in force nearly five months. It was proclaimed on March 20 following street fighting in the capital.

The Premier said he was acceding to demands made two days ago by National Front deputies for the lifting of martial law. But he warned that he would use his special powers to reimpose it should the necessity arise.

More than 8,000 hectares have so far been divided among about 9,500 peasants under a scheme inaugurated by the Shah earlier this year. To help the farming of this land a special reconstruction bank with a capital of 55m. rials (over £500,000) is being founded next month.

A bill urging landowners to increase the peasants' share of this year's crops by 15 per cent was presented to the Majlis today by 32 Deputies and sent to committee.

The Shah of Persia today personally handed to 50 peasants from Varkmin, near Teheran, the title deeds for land which he recently distributed to them.

The Shah looked grim and said, His manner changed, in a mild and even voice he said the peasants: "I have invited you to this garden as it belongs to you. Everything in the country belongs to all its people. I have tried to increase your lands and now I hope all will be proud of their country and will defend its independence and integrity. In spite of all difficulties Iranians always fought for their country's independence. I am sure all future difficulties shall pass and you will in no wise affect the improvement in your positions on the land."

SECOND STAGE OF WAR GAMES BEGINS

The second stage of the Army's summer manoeuvres began yesterday, an Army spokesman announced yesterday. The manoeuvres are to take place in the central part of the country.

Wholesale Prices Up 8 Per Cent

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—Wholesale prices rose by eight per cent during June, from 626 points in the wholesale price index in May to 741 in June, the Central Bureau of Statistics and Economic Research announced today. The index is based on June 1936 as 100.

"Fish, meat and eggs" rose by 11 per cent (309 to 662 points) with large variations in the items under this heading. There was a 33 per cent increase in the wholesale price of local fresh meat; 22 per cent for rice, 33 per cent for barley and three per cent for standard bread.

"Other foods" rose from 1,102 to 1,173 points, an increase of seven per cent, while "fuel and various" rose by five per cent, from 649 to 679 points. Kerosene went up by 12 per cent, solar, fuel and diesel oil rose by three per cent each, and laundry soap by nine per cent.

Ampal, Mekorot to Invest $4m. in Oil Prospecting

Between $4m. and $6m. are to be invested by the Joint Ampal (New York) and Mekorot oil company in the first stage of their prospecting venture.

Preparations for the formal establishment of the joint concern have entered the final stage, it is understood, and Ampal has already begun to arrange the purchase of the necessary drilling equipment.

Well-informed sources have denied reports that the Government has promised to insure the company against failure to strike oil. It is pointed out that the basis of oil prospecting is taken as a risk in expectation of profit.

Mr. A Dickenstein, Ampal director has arrived in Israel to negotiate with the Government on the terms of prospecting permits under the oil law which is soon to receive its final Knesset reading.

Regulations on Israel Oil Being Drafted

WASHINGTON, Tuesday. — Mr. Ged Kidron, assistant Attorney-General of Israel, who arrived here on Sunday, began consultations with Mr. Max Ball, oil adviser, concerning regulations to be issued in connection with the Israel Oil Law.

Mr. Ball said that up to six months would be required to draft the regulations with which the oil bill could become operative.

Big 3 Make New Offer for World Arms Reduction

UNITED NATIONS, Tuesday (Reuter). — The three Western powers announced today that they would agree to a five-power disarmament conference if the Soviet Union and China would first consent to limit their armed forces to 1,500,000 men each.

They proposed that as soon as the Communist powers agreed to manpower limitations a big power conference should be held to discuss:

- Distribution by area, land and air of the armed forces that would be considered appropriate within the agreed numerical ceilings.
- The types and quantities of armaments which would be considered necessary to support the permitted armed forces.
- Elimination of all armed forces and armaments other than those permitted, it being understood that provision would be made for the elimination of all major weapons adaptable to mass destruction, and for the effective international control of atomic energy to ensure the prohibition of atomic weapons.

The inclusion of the atomic energy question in the last part of the proposal was seen in some U.N. circles as an indication that the Western powers are now prepared for a new approach to the atomic control problem which has been deadlocked for five years.

Mr. John Coulson, Britain, said there were two ways of reaching agreement on disarmament. The first was the Soviet method of a fixed formula for an overall reduction by one-third. This was unacceptable to the Western powers as it would merely legalize the disequilibrium of the world forces. The second was the more realistic Western proposal envisaging agreement by stages.

Mr. Jacob Malik, Soviet Union, said that he would study the new proposals seriously but at first glance they appeared to contain nothing new. They did not agree to a one-third reduction of the armaments of the big powers, to cease into force immediately with the prohibition of atomic weapons.

After some procedural discussion, the Commission adjourned until Friday.

West Presses USSR On Austrian Issue

PARIS, Tuesday (Reuter). — The three Western powers have again pressed the Soviet Government to make known its views on proposals for settling the Austrian problem.

The French text of identical notes Britain, France and the U.S. sent yesterday to the Russians was published here today. It referred to the note of March 13 last "whose proposals should allow the immediate resumption of negotiations to carry out finally the promise made to Austria in 1943 that her liberty and independence would be restored."

It also recalled the note of May 9 calling for "a speedy and equitable settlement of the Austrian problem to eliminate a cause of permanent tension in Europe."

8 MALAY POLICE KILLED IN AMBUSH

SINGAPORE, Tuesday (Reuter). — Eight members of a party of 13 police constables were killed and two others wounded in an attack by Communist terrorists in Negri Sembilan this afternoon, it was officially announced tonight.

Supreme Court Backs Bench Nominees

The Minister of Justice, Mr. Haim Cohen, yesterday told the House Committee that the Supreme Court had unanimously approved the nomination of Mr. Zvi Berenson, Director General of the Ministry of Labour and District Court Judge Y. Sussman to the Supreme Court.

The House Committee appointed a sub-committee to study the nominations. The final vote will be taken by secret ballot in the Knesset.

U.S. Defeats Israel At Chess, 4-0

HELSINKI, Tuesday. — The U.S. defeated Israel four games straight in yesterday's chess play. S. Reshevsky defeated M. Czurniak, L. Evans beat M. Oren, R. Byrne beat J. Porath, and A. Bisguier defeated P. Mendelbaum.

Egypt Won't Alter Arab Policy on Israel—Maher

Nagib Denies Rift with Premier

CAIRO, Tuesday (Reuter). — Egypt will continue to support the Arab States' agreed policy towards Israel, Premier Ali Maher declared here today. He stressed the regime's policy of Arab solidarity, and reminded his listeners that Egypt was among those who had initiated the call for Arab Unity.

"The strength of ties binding us to the Asiatic and Eastern world is a prominent and important part of the Government's programme," he added.

Gen. Nagib and Ali Maher have set up a "civilian-military" committee, to harmonize the policies of the Government and the military, a GHQ spokesman stated last night. The committee will meet for the first time tomorrow to discuss legislation.

Earlier, General Nagib denied that there was any difference of view-point between the Government and the Army. "Complete understanding and full agreement of views exists between us," he claimed.

War on Corruption

Ali Maher claimed that the government had already "proclaimed general war on corruption," established legal investigation committees, and modified the Law on Illegitimate Earnings to make it more effective.

General Nagib speaking over Cairo Radio last night declared, "I assure everyone that Egypt will always remain the friend of the people of England." He thanked foreign residents of Egypt for their support. Egypt, he said, was "determined to be worthy of the nations' glorious past and capable of participating in the security and peace of a better world."

The Cabinet issued a decree this afternoon settling out progressive income tax rates that reach as high as 38 per cent on incomes of L.E.10,000.

Incomes of below L.E.1,000 are exempt. Incomes between L.E.1,000 and L.E.1,500 will be taxed at a rate which rises from 2 per cent.

The Decree becomes effective in January, 1953, on 1952 incomes.

Mustafa Mohsi, Wafd leader, denied reports today that he is going to leave for France to join his wife who is on holiday there.

Cairo to Support Land Reform

CAIRO, Tuesday. — The Government has accepted land reform "in principle," a cabinet spokesman announced today. He mentioned 200 acres as the probable limit to holdings.

In a statement to the press Mohammed Ali Rushdi, Minister of Justice, confirmed that the version of the cabinet draft published in "Al Misri" was substantially correct. According to the draft, the state would pay compensation for all land acquired under the scheme, which would be paid by instalments over a period of 30 years with three and a half per cent interest.

Easy Terms

Land would be sold to landless and poor peasants on easy repayment terms spread over 30 years. Peasants owning less than two acres would be forbidden to sell any of their land or to divide it up among their sons.

The system of land-leases will also be revised so that the landowner should not receive more than a third of the yield.

Rural committees are projected, with representatives of landowners, leaseholders, and agricultural workers, together with members of the judiciary.

The draft is being studied by the Minister of Finance and the President of the Supreme Council. (U.P., A.P., Reuter)

Jordan to Release Two Israel Soldiers

The two Israel soldiers taken prisoner by Jordan on June 10 while on night manoeuvres near Latrun are to be returned tomorrow, the Jordan sub committee to the Mixed Armistice Commission promised yesterday, an Army spokesman announced.

The M.A.C. subcommittee unanimously accepted 17 Israel complaints which denounced various Jordan violations of the Armistice Agreement. Two Jordan charges were discussed.

The entrance of an Israeli into Jordan territory near Bet Berik on August 5 — who was subsequently killed — was struck off the agenda after it was proved that he was mentally unbalanced.

Israel promised to investigate a second charge that fire had been opened in the direction of Budrus village near Latrun.

It was learned in Jerusalem yesterday that the decisions of the subcommittee are binding on the senior delegates.

Hussein Wants To Reform Jordan

LAUSANNE, Tuesday (Reuter). — Hussein the Second, the world's newest king, said today he wants to help "reform the whole system in Jordan" and lower the barriers between King and people.

The 17-year-old monarch, his one year at Harrow public school in England ended by the sudden call to the throne, admitted, "There is so much to be done in Jordan and I have so much to learn."

He wants to fly home as soon as possible to get some practical experience in the role in which he is now cast. He is making plans to return to Amman within a week though the date has not been fixed.

In Amman a Government spokesman said that Talal, on learning of Parliament's decision to depose him, immediately sent a cable of congratulation to Hussein, to whom he is known to be deeply devoted.

No Accord on EDC Army Service

PARIS, Tuesday (UP).—The six member countries of the proposed European Defence Community failed today to reach agreement on the length of military service in the European Army.

France and Italy ignored an eleventh-hour appeal from General Matthew Ridgway, Supreme Allied Commander, and rejected any increase beyond the present 18 months.

Six chiefs of European Army delegations met here in the "European" wing of NATO H.Q. in the Palais de Chaillot at the request of Belgium, where the Socialist led campaign of strikes and demonstrations has erupted against the present two-year military service.

Meeting for more than one hour under the chairmanship of French Lt.-Gen. Henri Mehaut, experts from France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg failed to find any formula.

General Ridgway in his press conference yesterday stressed that time was necessary to talk, a subject to the day of counter measure.

"Belgium is likely to cut her present two-year compulsory military service following the rejection by other European Army countries of the Belgian proposal for a uniform conscription period.

One source close to the Government said in Brussels today that Belgium had "never regarded the decision to be an"

LISTS OF WANTED ARMS PREPARED

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The Ministry of Defence is now understood to be preparing lists for submission to the U.S. Government of military equipment it wants to buy in America.

It is not yet known whether the lists will be handed in Washington by the Israel Embassy, acting for the Foreign Ministry, or by the Military Attache there, Alouf-Mishneh Chaim Herzog, acting for the Ministry of Defence.

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4 Spanish Seamen Granted Asylum

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The four Spanish sailors who stowed away in the s.s. Elath which arrived here on July 9 have been granted asylum as political refugees. They are to be given Israel identity cards.

The decisions were taken by a special interministerial committee meeting at Hakirya today.

The men, formerly of the Spanish merchant marine and aged between 19 and 24, had stowed away while the s.s. Elath was off Barcelona. They told police when they were brought ashore at Tel Aviv that they had fled from Spain because of opposition to its policies.

Wine Flows as Thousands Fete Zichron on 70th Birthday

By Y. Slav,
POST Correspondent

ZICHRON YA'AKOV, Tuesday. — From far and wide old-time residents of Zichron Ya'acov, relatives and friends came here in the thousands this morning by bus, car, lorry and on foot to join local residents and the ten or 15 remaining survivors who founded the colony 70 years ago.

The hilltop township was in a festive mood today to celebrate the opening of the two-day holiday to mark its seventh decade with a Wine and Vine Festival. All the houses flew flags, and the main streets were decorated with greenery.

Some of the most eager of the visitors were the stamp collectors, intent on purchasing their first-day covers with the new stamp bearing the likeness of the Baron Edmund de Rothschild, patron of the village who did so much to help the early settlers.

Residents and visitors gathered at the cemetery this morning to pay homage to the memory of the first pioneers and to the Baron. Acting President Yosef Sprinzak paid tribute to the founders and to the pioneering agricultural work undertaken by the first group of newcomers from Rumania.

B.G. Recalls Pupin

Addressing a meeting in the amphitheatre, built near the wine-press, Prime Minister Ben Gurion said, "America has its historic ship, the Mayflower. We also have a ship, the Pepin, which after months of trial and tribulation, brought to Haifa a group of Jews from Rumania who decided to build their homes on the bald hills of the Shomron." They came to Palestine illegally, he recalled. Mr. Ben Gurion also recalled his own work in Zichron as an agricultural labourer 46 years ago.

During the outside picture of the Ben Ohr Bar combined and opened under the Local Council. Other members of the evening included Mr. Red Lydon, Co-Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive; Mr. Robert Goelet, chairman of PICA in Israel and representatives of the National Institutions. Messages were read from the President and Mrs. Weizmann and from Baron Edmund de Rothschild.

Before the main message opened at the Amphitheatre a concert and wine exhibition was opened by A. Meridor of Cohen, Dr. Yosef Burg, and was addressed by Prof. Walter Guy Lowdermilk, the soil conservation expert. An art exhibition of local scenes was also opened at mid-day.

Throughout the day groups of local residents gathered throughout the village, and some 500 people in all groups in the Ben Ohr Bar, where they were given "Dancing the Shomron." Dancing went on well up to a late hour, and on the occasion of the sun and moon dancing went on in the streets until late into the night.

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Social & Personal

Mr. Bruce McCormick, the U.S. government official who was a member of the staff of the United Nations Line, which made her maiden voyage to Israel this week with a cargo of equipment purchased in the U.S. with Aid funds. He was accompanied by officials of the Ministry of Finance and by members of the Y.C.L. staff.

Mr. Hazel Bergen, Miami M.E. returned by T.W.A. yesterday from a business visit to the U.S. at the invitation of the U.S. Government. Also aboard the plane were Mr. Fedor Schoenn and Mr. A. Mendell, members of the committee of the Association of War Invalids of the War of Independence, after attending the International Conference of Disabled Ex-servicemen at Helsinki.

Mr. Y. Rosenberg, head of the Courts Division of the Ministry of Justice, held a meeting with Dr. M. Bar Zohar, President of the Tel Aviv District Court and Mr. Z. E. Rabov, the Attorney President of the Court, in Dr. Bar Zohar's chambers in Tel Aviv yesterday.

Dr. George Halpern, of Jerusalem, left yesterday for Switzerland and England on a business trip.

Mr. Samuel Berman, a lawyer, formerly of Toronto, has been appointed Director of the French section of the Jewish National Fund in place of Mr. Joseph Artzi (Fisher), recently appointed Minister to Belgium.

Professor H. Nadler, Professor of Economics at New York University, left by T.W.A. yesterday after a 12-day visit.

Mr. I. L. Monk, U.N. expert on economic questions, has arrived for a seven-week stay in Israel as part of the U.N. Technical Assistance Programme. He is to advise the Ministry of Commerce and Industry on price policy problems. This week and next he will give industrial conditions.

Professor R. Bachi, Director of the Central Bureau of Statistics and Kennith Bloomfield, Adviser to the Israel Government Statistics, have been appointed as ex-officio member of the International Institute of Statistics. In his personal capacity, Professor Bachi was elected a member of the Institute in 1948.

Mr. Yitzhak Ben-Meir, Assistant Legal Adviser to the Foreign Ministry, returned by K.L.M. from Amsterdam on Monday night after attending the regular session of the Hague Court. Also aboard the plane was Mr. Nehuda Ardosin, Assistant Counsellor of Foreign Currency in the Ministry of Finance.

Dr. P. Arnberg, Managing Director of Palme Press Co. Ltd., has left for a visit to various European countries and the U.S. in connection with the Company's business.

Miss Aliza Meushar Hadzewski, head of the Discipline, Protocol and Regulations Branch of the Israel Defense Forces, has changed her name to Sweden.

Professor Jacques Pous, of Johannesburg, will deliver a guest lecture under the auspices of the Israel Medical Association and the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School on "Modern Concepts of Plastic Surgery" at the Bet Hahalutz in Jerusalem, at noon tomorrow. Physicians and medical students are invited.

MEMORIAL MEETING

Moshe Wilbushevitz

Members of the Wilbushevitz family, representatives of the Hebrew University and of the Shomen works, were among those who gathered in Haifa yesterday at a memorial meeting for Moshe Wilbushevitz.

MEMORIAL MEETING FOR KAPLAN IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Tuesday (UP). — A memorial meeting for the late Deputy Prime Minister of Israel, Eliezer Kaplan, was held here tonight under the auspices of the American Zionist Council and the Jewish Agency.

$2.69 WINE stolen from the pocket of Hanan Rosenzweig on Monday, after he landed a ship on a vessel going to Jerusalem from Tel Aviv, failed.

REVIEW OF OPINION IN YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Israel Should Be Consulted On Future of Gaza Strip

Commenting on stationing British troops in the Gaza strip, "Ha'aretz" (Independent) says British circles are mistaken in assuming this region is a no-man's-land. The Armistice Agreement states this is Egyptian occupied territory. The Egyptians have honoured the Rhodes Agreement and have not annexed this territory. Israel therefore has the right to demand participation in deliberating the future of this area since if the Egyptian army leaves, it would become Israel territory. If the British ask Israel's consent to transfer their forces to Gaza, a number of difficult problems would arise. Public opinion in Israel is sufficiently mature to realize that certain arrangements must be made to ensure Middle East Defence, and simultaneously to satisfy one of Egypt's important national aspirations. Those of us who regard the presence of British troops in Gaza as dangerous to peace, must previously have spent many sleepless nights since their presence at Suez is also a potential "danger." The real issues, however, are in a different sphere. After the Egyptians leave, the British Army might enter Gaza on the assumption that this strip has become Israel territory and not a no-man's-land. What would then become of the 200,000 Arab refugees there?

Several papers comment on the investments agreement with the U.S.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) again opposes the agreement, arguing that this is tantamount to liquidating our "national industries."

Not Liberal Enough

"Haboker" (General Zionist), generally believed to represent the interests of industrial circles, while welcoming the agreement, reprimands the Israel Government for not being liberal enough, too forrealistic, and making too many reservations. "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) rejects the agreement, saying it would probably not attract more outside investors, but would grant American Jewish capitalists preferential rights. It might harm the activities of the Zionist Organization of America. The paper cannot accept the fact that American investors should not be subjected to Israel laws and enjoy a special status.

Several morning papers published special features on Zichron Ya'acov's 75th anniversary. "Davar" (Histadrut) has an editorial on the subject. The town is not situated on a main highway and at times has been forgotten. Fifty years ago it was one of the centres where efforts were made to organize the Jewish population, to found a Jewish learning association, and an agricultural experimental station. Later Zichron Ya'acov became the seat of experiments in different ideologies, such as the "Bilu" in "Gideonet"—in an endeavour Palestine born Jewish youth as opposed to foreigners and new immigrants. During all this time—from the days of the "Biluim" to the Fifth Aliya—Jewish workers tried to gain a foothold here, but it was a difficult task. Since the establishment of the State, the situation has changed. It must be hoped that the freshair atmosphere will result in more progress, and that a cordial link will be formed between the splendid beginnings of Zichron Ya'acov and better days to come.

At "Al Hamishmar" correspondent deals with the "anti-Sefardic" leaflets distributed in Jerusalem. After analysing their contents, he concludes there is a startling resemblance between the manner of speaking and writing of some Sefardic leaders in Jerusalem and the contents of the leaflets. He does not, however, consider the possibility that the leaflets are a provocation. Perhaps they are not entirely unconnected with the present attempts of a prominent Jerusalem Sefardic leader to maintain his post in public service.

Efficiency Course For Control Officials

A two-week course for officials of the State Controller's office is in progress in Jerusalem under the direction of Mr. A. M. Groot, Director of the Dutch Institute for Administrative and Industrial Efficiency. The 12 students were selected from 60 who have been passed through a series of courses given by eight Dutch experts sent by the Institute.

This final, intensive course is devoted to Costing, Budgeting, Personnel Management, Time and Motion Study, Working Methods and Office Organization.

Mr. Groot has stated that the level of his students here far surpasses that of his classes in Holland, partly because these candidates were chosen after careful examination and psychotechnical tests. He also stressed the devotion of his pupils to their studies.

"There is much room for improvement in Israel public administration," Mr. Groot said. "However, raising the standard of efficiency cannot be done overnight. One has to start with a limited field, a few departments of one or two Ministries at the most, and to cover gradually the entire administration.

In his opinion thorough investigation of the department under study with full cooperation from all sides is an essential prerequisite for success. Within five years Mr. Groot believes Israel can achieve a considerable improvement in administrative efficiency.

$2,000 GET EXTRA RATIONS IN HAIFA

HAIFA, Tuesday. — Besides the 202,000 rations distributed to registered consumers in the Greater Haifa area, 22,000 persons — 16 per cent of the total — receive extra rations under the heavy workers, sick and pregnant women schemes. Another six per cent in extra rations is distributed to restaurants, Mr. Y. Kaplan, head of the Haifa and Shomron food division said here on Sunday. Over 3,000 workers also receive hot meals in 24 works canteens, and some 2,000 port workers receive an extra ¼kg. weekly meat ration instead of the usual heavy workers extra rations.

Since May 1, grocers have been linked to bakeries to eliminate waste. Thanks to these measures 300 tons of flour have been saved monthly. Further steps to ensure stricter saving will be introduced, and people feeding bread to animals will be prosecuted.

At the Cinema

"RIDING High" (Esther) is directed by Frank Capra—but although we find in this horse-race comedy some of the fine comedians and the polished and thrilling rhythm of former Capra films, the work is of lesser importance because Robert Riskin, Capra's old script-writer, did not care very much this time for that critical social witticism which made earlier Capra films so intriguing. Bing Crosby is charming in the main role — but the Capra characters around him are the real sensation of the work. *Ma.*

Berlioz Revival

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Middle East Could Increase Its Dollar Earnings By Encouraging U.S. Tourists

WASHINGTON, (USIS). — The Middle East can substantially increase its American dollar earnings if it intensifies its efforts to attract American tourists.

The U.S. Commerce Department's Office of International Trade notes this in a special study which shows that Middle Eastern countries have still left relatively undeveloped an American market which needs only to be coaxed.

"The opportunities of these countries to appeal to the American market are unique," the report says.

Among the undeveloped prospects cited by the report are:

1) First and second generation Americans of Middle Eastern origin, who could be encouraged to revisit the area;

2) American teachers and students of ancient history, literature, languages, art, architecture, and archaeology; and

3) A vast number of Americans whose religion creates a natural interest in the "Bible Land."

It is to the third group that the report directs most attention.

The Bible Land

"The Bible Land,' cradle of the religious beliefs and the basic cultural and social habits of an important part of the American population, offers a stimulus to travel to a type of person hitherto not reached by travel promotion, but to whom the religious significance of the Middle East provides a very real and important reason for travel," says the report.

"To such people, a pilgrimage or visit to the origins of their religion, can be suggested with great hopes for successful promotion, if the characteristics which determine their desires are realized and provided for. Cooperative action among Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Israel and Syria to appeal to this market and provide a freedom of travel in the area are major prerequisites in an expansion of the tourist trade."

Active promotional undertakings, the improvement of Middle East travel conditions, and the elimination of official barriers to travel are other steps which must be undertaken to encourage these prospective travellers, the report says.

God-Fearing People

It is also pointed out that most of these potential travellers live in rich farming sections of the southern and western United States which have deep religious traditions. People in the area are thrifty, God-fearing people whose religion forms the core of their daily activities.

The report continues:

"In communities having only a disinterested realization that there is a Paris, or a London, there is at the same time a sense of personal familiarity with Jerusalem, Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee, Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon and other biblical place-names. Even more important, the thrifty habits prevalent in the farming communities, though it militates against large, purely recreational travel, indeed increases the desirability of trips to biblical scenes with religious associations."

The report further points out that most of this group of Americans are familiar with occasional movement of $5,000 or more. They are generally better financially situated for travel opportunities than urban dwellers because they raise most of their own food and thus spend very little of their money income for basic living needs.

As to the advantages of attracting American tourists, the report cites Western Europe, which in 1949, jumped its American dollar earnings from American tourism, to $675m. This represents a decided increase over 1946 when American tourism stood at only $60m. It also represents about 32 per cent of all the money Western Europe earned through trade with the United States in 1949.

The Commerce Department believes the Middle East can do pretty much the same. It figures that if the Middle East can induce only one per cent of these 15 million Americans to spend 15 days in the Middle East area, pocket-books there would be enriched by about $97m.

Israel Press on Olympics

The "Ha'aretz" headed its article on the recent Olympic Games "From Helsinki to Melbourne" and considers that the XVth. Olympiad, in which 69 nations took part, was a historic and fair meeting in which only the best athletes succeeded. The paper says that the Olympic Spirit was on trial and came through with credit.

The main feature was the participation, after a long unwillingness to join the family of sporting nations, of Russia. It was known the article says that Soviet sport had advanced with "giant steps", for there were rumours of vast sums spent on schools and physical training and of Soviet sportsmen receiving special privileges and instruction. It was thus known that the coming "duel" would be the U.S.A., which had been preparing for four years for the event and especially for the encounter with the Russians. Despite the knowledge of this "battle of the giants," and of playing "second fiddle," the smaller nations prepared with no less spirit. In this spirit battle the Olympic flames and the spirit which from it derives round the tent and will go down to history honours of it.

Despite the fact that the U.S. collected the most gold medals, says "Ha'aretz" the Russians proved that they could hold their own in the contest on equable and this was only the beginning. The Americans had more Olympic experience but the U.S.S.R. had gained experience for the future.

Bouquet For Helsinki

In handing a big bouquet to Helsinki Ha'aretz felt that one of the pleasantest impressions of the Games was their fine organization, despite the limitations of equipment and facilities.

When it came to individuals, the paper felt that when the history of the Olympic Games comes to be written there will be a special chapter on Nurmi and Zatopek. Paavo Nurmi "a name written in gold in The Olympic Story," went from success to success, record to record, to being unbeatable himself and then host grew of other giants and his country. Then after a generation came Zatopek, Nurmi's records have gone but his name remains as a lesson to all sportsmen the world over. Zatopek also came back from Nurmi's ones with three medals to start a new chapter in the Olympics.

For us here, the paper ends, these Olympics will go down as the one in which Israel was accepted and appeared, and the Israel flag was flown with the others at Helsinki for the very first time in Olympic history.

Two Outstanding Israelis

The "Haboker" comments on the two Israel performers. Ra'anan, who came 9th in the diving, and Ben Dov, who was placed 21st in the 200m. shooting competition. The paper says that at the first glance this appears to be nothing exceptional but, when it was remembered that the world's best athletes participated and succeeded in raising the records of the Games still higher, these efforts by Israel's men appeared in a new light.

Ra'anan's efforts were of top class and greeted well by spectators at Helsinki. The competition judged by eight referees, gave the young Israeli 87.70 points placing him in front of top divers from 17 nations, including our national champion, and experts from Australia, Germany, Finland, Japan, England, Egypt, South Africa, Sweden, Australia, Bermuda, France, Ceylon, Italy, Switzerland and Venezuela. The paper reminds readers that the first eight went into the finals, with Brazil the last one in only just in front of Israel with a difference of only 0.27 points, at 87.97.

Ben Dov, says the "Haboker" commentator, scored 1035 points—314 in the standard positions, 340 jumping and 379 prone. The maximum was 1200 with the winner, Boghomil (Russia) getting 1113, (compared to the world record of 1130). 169 standing, 374 kneeling and 338 prone. My companion Ben Dov's performances were not bad in his efforts against found shots from all countries.

Suffered Real Defeat

"Ha'aretz" only mentioned the Games in passing, and dealt mainly with the despatch of a Hapoel Volleyball team to the World Championships at Moscow this month. The paper complained that Betar were not included and says that the invitation to the Israel Amateur Sports Federation was passed direct to Hapoel.

It was only after this organization had set up training camps to prepare the team, that Betar heard that their players were permitted to take part. As the trainer Micha Shenkar was in charge and he was in Canada, we do not see." The team is not truly representative of Israel, wrote "Herut," and said that in the European Championships last year in Paris, Israel came last, mainly due to the trainer Mr. Micha Shenkar "who has no idea and was responsible for the failure." If the heads of sport in Israel desire a proper team, "they must see to have the right trainer and select the best players irrespective of affiliations."

Eventually passing round to the Games, "Herut" further complains that "before the team left for Helsinki, Betar made repetitive illegal attendances but "the responsible people did not consider public opinion and that is why Israel suffered a real defeat" at the Games. Returning to the valley-built town, the paper says it is "not sure and that it is better for it to sit at home rather than to lose again."

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9-1: Any Library Bezalel Museum.

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10-5: Sanhedria Tombs.

11-1: 5-7: Exhibition of Children's Art Israel Tourist Co-op. Talbieh.

11.30-12.30 Film Shows at Keren Hayesod Head Office

TEL AVIV

10-1: Exhibition of oils, gouaches and drawings by Leo Kahn, Museum.

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9-1.30: Theological and Scientific Library — Christ Synagogue.

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10.00 a.m. Music While You Work (R); 11.00 Requests (R); 11.40 Encyclopedia; Classic Music (R); 12.15 Programme for Hospitals (R); 12.30 Concert Hall; Overture "Into the Trenches" (Suppe-Kreisler); Symphony No. 6 "Pathetique" (Tschaikowsky). 1.40 Break for Music (R). 2.00 Close Down.

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Eshed Appeal Before Supreme Court

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Eshed claimed that the accident had been improperly described in the judgment, and that in fact, the Eshed driver had not been at fault.

The appeal was postponed until after the Court's recess.

Kna'anim Sue 'Hatzofe' For Libel

TEL AVIV, Tuesday (ITIM)—The central committee of the "Young Hebrews" — the Kna'anim group — acting through its chairman, Mr. Uriel Shiloah, and Mr. Aharon Eezir, secretary, yesterday submitted a claim against the "Hatzofe" daily for publishing a slanderous report with intent to incite against the group.

The claim states that last June 22, the paper alleged that Amos Keinan, now charged with bombing the flat of the Communications Minister, Mr. D. Z. Pinkas, was one of the heads of the group and a regular contributor to their journal, "Alef."

The paper also allegedly stated that the Kna'anim meet clandestinely in small groups for "sexual orgies."

The hearing has been fixed for September 1.

E. Germany Sentences Western Agent

BERLIN, Tuesday (AFP). — The East German Supreme Court last week sentenced to death Wolfgang Kaiser, charged with "terrorism and sabotage" on behalf of U.S. and British secret services.

Three other defendants were sentenced: Joachim Mueller to life imprisonment, his wife to 10 years and Kurt Hop to 15 years in jail.

This is the second death sentence to be passed against an agent of the "Fighting League against Inhumanity." Burianek, the first to receive a death penalty, was executed last week.

San Marino to Ask U.N. Membership

SAN MARINO, Tuesday (UP). —San Marino, the world's smallest and oldest republic, hopes to apply soon for membership in the U.N. Captain Regent Domenico Margante and two other officials made the announcement recently upon their return from Geneva.

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Mrs. Rahel Weizen, 45, was injured when the bus in which she was travelling overturned and she could neither a passer-by to Hakirya Hospital in Tel Aviv yesterday. The driver was detained and later released in bond.

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THE AHAM Queen of Jaffa will shortly have an underground sewage system, replacing the present cesspits. An agreement has been reached between the Tel Aviv Municipality and the Custodian of Absentee property under which the latter is to supply the IL.250,000 needed for the project.

Israel Passport Makes Debut

Jer'alem POST Reporter

More than one and a half million Israeli citizens qualify for the slim navy-blue Israel passport which was seen by the press for the first time yesterday. Mr. Moshe Shapira, Minister of the Interior, said that 95 per cent of the population were Israel citizens, a percentage equal to the ratio of citizens in the U.S. and France. Some 80,000 persons had declined Israel nationality, mostly for reasons connected with property abroad.

With regard to the scheme for reunion of Arab families, stopped in 1950, the Minister announced that a renewed and broader scheme would soon be set in motion. In addition to requests from separated families, the Ministry would now consider requests from engaged couples. Since the scheme began, over 3,000 cases had been dealt with, and 2,945 requests implemented.

In the absence of other evidence, a village Mukhtar can confirm Palestine or Turkish nationality of an Arab desiring Israel nationality, Mr. Shapira said that under the new Citizenship Law, 85 per cent of the minority population would automatically receive Israel nationality.

With reference to Jordan allegations that the Government was not permitting Arabs to enter under the reunion of families scheme, it has been pointed out in official circles that the way in which the Arab states concerned have handled their part of the scheme proves that their reiterated demand for the repatriation of refugees is only a political move.

Of the more than 4,000 applications from Arabs in Jordan, the Lebanon and Egypt (Syria has refused to take part) for repatriation which have been approved by Israel, only 1,041 actually used the opportunity to join their families.

A Nation Like All Others

HAIFA, Tuesday. — Israel's first "flying saucer" was reported last night by 9 residents who positioned to examine an object in the sky.

It was possible, he said, about the size of a saucer, "metallic," and had a "trail," possibly covering half a degree. At 7.05 p.m., it flew in the Mt. Carmel area from the south-east and disappeared out over the sea, according to the report.

First Israel Captain Pilots Plane

Jerusalem POST Reporter

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday (ITIM). — Israel flying history was made last night when the El Al Commando twin-engined plane which left for Vienna was piloted for the first time by an Israeli who recently received his international licence. He is Captain Uri Brauer, who had previously flown 8,000 hours as First Officer aboard various aircraft. For the past few weeks, since receiving his international licence, he has been flying the El Al freight plane to Europe.

Passengers aboard the aircraft included the Israel volleyball team which is to play in the international contest in Moscow. The group consisted of 10 Hapoel players, a trainer, referee and two managers. The sum of $2,400 was granted for this journey. Representatives of 17 nations will take part in the contest, which opens in the Soviet capital on Sunday.

German 'Infiltrator' Gives Up at Lydda

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday (ITIM). — A 17-year-old German-speaking youth gave himself up to the airport police here last night, saying that he had "infiltrated" into Israel aboard an aircraft from Germany six weeks ago.

The raggedy-dressed youth had IL.1,500 in his possession, which he said he had obtained by begging. He was detained for questioning.

Diesel Train Run Made From Haifa to Lydda

HAIFA, Tuesday. — One of the three diesel locomotives that arrived here on July 31 made its first trip from Haifa to Lydda today pulling a goods train of about 40 wagons with an 800-ton load. On board was Mr. A. Noak, a General Motors engineer, who is training crews for the engines.

The locomotive is due to return here with another goods train, and may henceforth be used on a regular daily goods run.

Harson Guilty Of Manslaughter

Jerusalem POST Bureau

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Robert Harson, 45, was today found guilty of manslaughter but was acquitted of murdering Magi Lasseri, the 16-year old mother of his son. She was shot in Elath last August 17 and found buried there. Sentence will be handed down later.

The element of premeditation could not be ascertained, the President of the District Court, Judge N. Ben Zakai, said in passing judgment, since the accused had walked out of Elath with Miss Lasseri at midday, before her death, without any attempt to hide himself. Also, the judge added, Lasseri was the sort of woman who could have provoked the "weak-minded" Harson to violence. Lasseri was of low intelligence, the judge said, and was given to immoral behaviour and to sudden wild outbursts.

Showed No Emotion

Harson, who stood in attention throughout the two hours it took to read the judgment, showed no emotion when its substance was translated into Yiddish for his benefit. When given permission to speak, he asked the Court to put on record that he had saved his child from its mother who used to beat it, so that the boy might one day know the truth. He said that the reason his son was at present in a Nazareth Mission was because every Jewish institution in Israel had refused him admission. He asked the court to afford him special treatment in prison so that he could write a book about what had "really happened."

Sentence was withheld when the prosecution pointed out that Harson had been convicted in France, under a different name, of murder and robbery. Since the defence did not accept this statement as constituting a fact, the prosecution will now have to prove it to the Court. The hearing will be resumed tomorrow. Other members of the Court are Judges M. Kister and I. Zondenfirth. Mr. Aviz Arazi and Mr. Reuven Ritterman acted for the accused. District Attorney U. Goral and Deputy District Attorney Avraham Dinari acted for the State.

Brother, Sister Die After Eating Sausage

HAIFA, Tuesday. — Two-year-old Yossi Hersenstein and his five-year-old sister Bathsheba died of suspected stomach poisoning in the Rothschild Hospital here yesterday. They were their parents' only children.

They reportedly ate some sausage on Saturday that had been stored in the refrigerator in their home at 110 Rehov Azkosof for about four weeks. The funeral took place today following a post-mortem at Government hospital. Police have started an enquiry into the death.

Free Arms to Israel Seen As Unlikely

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP). — The announcement yesterday that the U.S. Government will permit Israel to purchase arms here has given rise to speculation that Israel might receive free arms under the Mutual Security Act. President Truman, however, is not yet convinced that Israel is eligible for free arms and it appears that free equipment is still a long way off. This was disclosed last night by various well-informed sources following the announcement that Israel would be permitted to buy arms in the U.S.

A spokesman for the Israeli Embassy commenting on the announcement said that Israel is "encouraged" to hope for "favourable attention of its request, which is still pending, for military aid under section 202 of the Mutual Security Act." This section provides that the President may use up to 10 per cent of free military aid appropriated for Greece, Turkey and Iran for other states in the Middle East.

Under this provision, President Truman could transfer up to $50m. to Middle Eastern states. While the Israel spokesman expressed the hope that the Department announcement was a forerunner of the Grant-in-Aid, the indications were exactly the opposite. Informed American sources said the decision is also Israel is free from U.S. checks probably was made because there was no intention in the near future to grant her military aid.

1 KILLED, 6 INJURED IN J'LEM EXPLOSION

A man was killed, another seriously injured, and five more slightly injured when a pneumatic drill caused a quantity of explosives to blow up at noon yesterday in the Tel Aviva quarter of Jerusalem.

The body of Shalom Ben Shlomo, 54, was found half an hour after the explosion covered by rocks near the air compressor which belongs to him.

Another person, whose eyes were injured by rock splinters, was taken to Hadassah Hospital. The other five were given first aid treatment by Magen David Adom.

It is believed that the explosives had been placed in a recess in the rock and subsequently forgotten there. Three workers were detained and are being interrogated for negligently placing the explosives. (Itim.)

Coroner's Verdict In Vet's Suicide

Dr. Baruch Kirsch, 57, committed suicide by swallowing a large quantity of poison on May 8 while in a fit of depression, the Jerusalem Coroner ruled yesterday.

Dr. Kirsch, Assistant Veterinarian of the Jerusalem Municipality, was scheduled to leave on May 7 for Eritrea to supervise the shipments of meat to Israel. He was detained at Lydda Airport by police who said that a criminal investigation was being conducted against him. He spent the night at Lydda and returned to Jerusalem the next day. His son found his body.

FOUND GUILTY of possessing drugs and knives (weapons), M. Machol, Jr., was yesterday sentenced to three and a half years in prison by Jerusalem District Court Judge S. Yonaia Cohen. Machol admitted committing eight thefts in one month alone in 1951. Several charges against him were dropped for lack of evidence. (Itim).

U.S. Building New Uranium Plant

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Representative Charles Elston (Republican, Ohio) said today that the Atomic Energy Commission would build a new $1,300m. plant in southern Ohio to produce uranium-235, a key atomic substance.

An assistant to Mr. Elston told a reporter that the new plant would be located on a 4,500 acre tract in a sparsely settled area of Pike County.

7 Bills Become Law As Knesset Ready to Recess

Post Parliamentary Correspondent

Seven bills became law in the Knesset yesterday when the House set out to clear its decks before the recess at the end of this month. In an attempt to complete its schedule, the House will meet four times a week instead of three.

Legislation covering the currency reform of last June and the Compulsory Loan was passed yesterday. The original action had been taken on the basis of an Emergency Regulation because of the obvious need for secrecy. Emergency regulations, however, require ratification after three months.

The bill also covered points not dealt with in the Emergency Regulation. A last minute amendment introduced by the Finance Committee allows persons who did not exchange old banknotes by the June 23 deadline and who can satisfy the Finance Minister that they did not do so with good reason, to change them within five days after the law is passed.

Another clause permits the use of saving certificates of up to IL.5 for the payment of taxes. This is designed to benefit persons caught with a small amount of money.

The Municipal Property Tax was extended for another year, but a clause was inserted providing that agricultural land be taxed at rural property rates. It is hoped to combine this tax with the urban property tax before the end of the year.

Stormy Debate

An amendement to the Small Constitution which provoked a stormy debate permitted the Government to transfer authority from one minister to another without the consent of the House. This amendment which had been debated for a long time was opposed by sections of the House.

The last that was finally passed was proposed by Mr. Ya'acov Shapiro (Mapai). It said that the transfers shall be gazetted and announced by the Government to the Knesset. Opposition proposals designed to allow the transfers were defeated. The change was necessary because some Ministerial posts, such as Minister of Immigration, no longer exist and some have entirely certain authority to that Minister.

Another constitutional amendment permits the Minister of Justice to codify laws to give Mandatory and Israel laws a unified style.

Another law permitted the Government to take over the trusteeship of public organizations in special cases, to "obviate disturbance to the administration."

Other bills which became law yesterday amended the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance by permitting the cultivation of certain drugs for medicinal or scientific purposes with the consent of the Minister of Health, and broadened the scope of the emergency regulations which is the basis of the Army's "Operation Murderer" road safety campaign.

Israel Seen Pioneer In Water Desalting

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP) — "Israel might be the pioneer in the use of a new method of desalting sea water for irrigation purposes," so, writing to Dr. J. Russel Smith, Professor of Economic Geography at Columbia University.

He spoke yesterday on the newly-developed permionic membrane demineralization process before the Hydrographic Section of the Geographical Union's eighth general assembly here. Israel's representative among the 1,200 delegates is Dr. David Amiran, of the Hebrew University.

Dr. Smith told the international gathering that "it is more than possible that the hungry and already overpopulated little Israel will lead the way in the [illegible] of desalted desert agriculture at low as well as at high elevations. Israel is a nation driven by the triple urge of land hunger, physical hunger and an idea. They have access to excellent research possibilities."

Dr. Smith said the reclamation of sea water "would not be the cure-all for the world-wide problem, but it may be feeding millions a century hence."

CHILDREN HELD AS SUSPECTED THIEVES

Three children, aged 8 to 12, were detained yesterday in Jerusalem on suspicion of robbing a cobbler's shop of work tools. Most of the tools were found in the possession of other cobblers who told police they had purchased the tools from the children.

The shop, belonging to Yehezkel Misrahi, of Sha'arei Rahamin quarter, was robbed on Sunday night. (Itim.)

AUTO WORKERS DISMISSED

HAIFA, Tuesday. — The Kaiser-Frazer works have dismissed 45 of their 300 workers, it is learned here today. More have received dismissal notices. The reason is reported to be "reorganisation of staff."

HAZIS.—Violent anti-Semitic attacks have appeared in several American papers as a response to U.S. condemnation of the Nazi country laws.

Cables in Brief

LONDON. — Despite heavy artillery fire the armed forces of the U.N. Command yesterday advanced a mile and a half on the Kumsong front and took more than 1,000 prisoners.

PRESIDENTIAL. — Giovanni Gronchi, Christian Democrat, was yesterday elected President of Italy by the Chamber of Deputies and Senate in a joint session. The announcement was received by the United Nations.

ATHENS. — Dr. Gaspari Stavro has resigned as Communist Chief of Staff and is believed to have fled to Albania or Russia, it is reported from Athens.

CRIME. — Major crime in New York City increased by 27.6 per cent in the first six months of 1952, Police Commissioner Francis W. H. Adams announced yesterday.

PRESIDENT. — Dr. Isaac Maria Velasco, Ecuador's last "strong man" President of Ecuador by Congress, following the constitutional deposing by Ecuador's Minister of Defence, Colonel Carlos Guevara Moreno.

SECURITY. — The Police Public Security Bureau yesterday announced regulations to establish a security committee in every school, factory, government office and village throughout China.

POSTPONED. — Celebrations marking the anniversary of the defeat of the British invasion of Buenos Aires in 1806 were suspended yesterday because of security measures by the Peronist government in connection with the visit of the President of Chile.

LIBERATION. — The Japanese Foreign Ministry announced yesterday that a Japanese Legation would be established in Belgrade. A career diplomat, Minoru Nakamura, head of the Legation to the Republic of Rumania, will become Minister to Japan on August 20.

BAR MOUTH. — The U.S. soldier, who was arrested by the Japanese police at Kobe on Sunday after kicking a bar waitress and swinging a bar stool, was handed over to the U.S. military authorities. Japanese police reported yesterday. The police said the soldier refused to pay for a bottle of beer.

SARAJEVO. — Police police officers have Diaspora are flying to Sarajevo this week-end to help investigations into the recent raids by Communist there, it was reported in Belgrade yesterday.

BRT. — The British Comet jet airliner opening a passenger service being begun to Ceylon served by Colombo yesterday. The time for the 5,500-km. flight was 21 hours, 10 minutes.

VANDALS. — Police are investigating vandalistic attacks made against a Jewish community center in Greenbelt, Maryland, U.S.A.

CHILD DROWNS

NAHARIYA, Tuesday. — Yitzhak Zadok, 12, of the Rahrei settlement near Nahariya, drowned this morning while bathing with a group of children off the beach here. The body was taken to the local hospital.

An instructress of the group had rushed into the water fully-clothed but was only in time to rescue a second boy who was trying to save his friend. The drowning took place only a few metres from the shore.

Medical Congress Gets Israel's Future Public Health Act

Jerusalem POST Reporter

The first chapter of Israel's future Public Health Act was symbolically presented by Professor J. Penn, internationally-known South African plastic surgeon, to his Israel colleagues at the Medical Congress in Jerusalem yesterday. Dr. S. Netsin, Chief Health Officer of the Transvaal, and Mr. S. Frank, a South African advocate, are at present drafting the new Public Health Act after having inspected condition in this country on the invitation of the Government.

Professor Penn, who headed the South African team of surgeons during the War of Liberation, and has on this visit already seen 300 patients from Hadassah and the Army, told the Congress of the growing liaison between medical men in Israel, and the Union. Through the Medical Department of the South African Zionist Federation, doctors were being sent for 18 months service, their expenses paid, to Israel hospitals, and a constant flow of specialists and medical supplies had been kept up; of the 18 South African doctors at the Congress, three were on missions for the Israel Ministry of Health.

This presentation followed a memorial meeting for victims of the Nazi terror, when Dr. M. Dvorjetski spoke on Jewish ghetto doctors and the experiments committed by German scientists to enable mass genocide.

The main symposium of the afternoon was opened by Rear Adm. A. Amaon, Surgeon General of the Army, who introduced a series of papers by Israel surgeons and specialists on their medical experiences during the War of Liberation. Heads of the Army Medical Service were among those who heard monographs by surgeons of the Rothschild Hospital led by Professor Penn.

Dr. H. Shohn, Director-General of the Health Ministry, gave an overall picture of medical in a State beset with serious difficulties (see page four), and the directors of medical foundations detailed their specific activities. Improvements inside each of hospital beds and health plans for the Hadassah Medical Centre, were among subjects designed to inform the physician from abroad of Israel's need for men of healing.

Last night, Isaiah's Way became a veritable Street of the Physicians, as doctors in their hundreds gathered for the Israel Medical Association Ball at the King David Hotel. The ballroom was graced with guests speaking the homes Congress badge and discussing whatever technical theme in a dozen tongues. Earnest conversation with a Latin flavour could even be heard on the dance floor.

A Famed Doctor Of Egypt

At the Physicians' Congress yesterday, Dr. Sussman Muniner delivered a lecture on Yitzhak Israeli, the renowned doctor who was born in Fayum, Egypt in 850 C.E.

Isaac Judaeus, as he was known, studied medicine in Baghdad and then practised in Egypt. His fame was such that in 904 he was invited to Kairuwan, Tunis, where he served as court physician to three Khalifs. He founded an academy which helped his efforts to form a bridge between the Moslem and Christian worlds.

Israeli was in close contact with his great contemporary, Saadiah Gaon. He had the works of Galen translated from the Greek into Arabic. The first translator of medical works from Arabic into Latin, the Benedictine monk Constantinus Africanus, of Monte Cassino, relied almost exclusively on the work of Israeli and his School.

Israeli led an ascetic life. He lived for 100 years.

Council of Gov't Doctors Resigns

The National Council of Government Doctors and its Committee have resigned after negotiations on new salary gradings had failed.

The resignation followed a session of the Council in Jerusalem on Monday at which the committee was criticised for yielding too much.

The Council was told that negotiations for regrading had been going on for months with the Health Minister and the Civil Service Commission. A partial agreement had been reached and been passed to the Government for approval six weeks ago, the Council was told.

The Council was informed that the Government had rejected the Health Minister's recommendations, and had established a Ministerial committee under the chairmanship of the Prime Minister and in which the Ministers of Health and Finance were to participate.

Meanwhile, State doctors have been receiving their salaries "on account" for over a year, the Council was told.

Civil Servant Fined For Fraud

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Shlomo Kaminski, 38, a former secretary of the Price Controller's Office of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, was fined today IL.1,500 with the alternative of four months in prison for falsifying accounts, forging documents and embezzling funds.

District Court Judge J. Gavison pointed out that the office by which the accused had been employed had been run in a disorderly manner and that its accounting system had been faulty.

SCRIP SHOPS TO BE COMBINED

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Following negotiations between the Government and the five local Scrip companies operating here, an agreement to combine the companies into one body is expected to be signed next week.

Both the Government and the companies are interested in the amalgamation since this would lower the local prices of Scrip goods as overheads would be less. Government supervision of the trade would also be easier to implement.

The number of retail stores selling Scrip gods will be reduced by half and all the warehouses will be centralized into one.

Thieves Steal Charity Money from Tomb

TEL AVIV, Tuesday (ITIM). — Silver and bronze ware worth IL.150 were stolen from a tomb in the Kiryat Shaul cemetery last night by thieves who entered the mausoleum built over the grave of S. Katz.

Mrs. Lea Katz, the widow, who called at the tomb this morning, as is her habit every day, found that IL.40 in cash, which she kept there for charitable distribution, had also been stolen.

RATION NEWS

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SUSPECTED SPY GETS 7 MONTHS

An Arab, suspected of spying for Israel, has been sentenced to seven months prison by an Old City magistrate on charges of smuggling currency and crossing the border illegally.

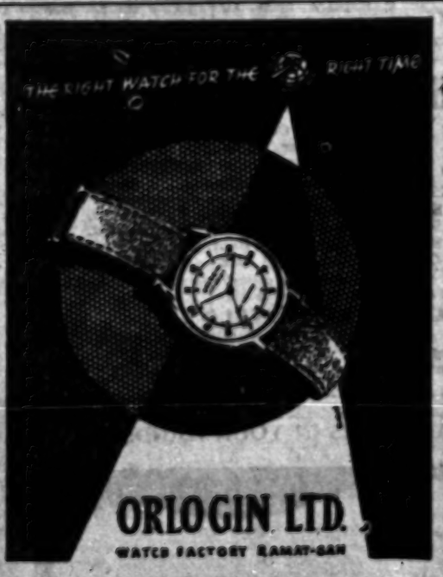
The man, Haj Suleiman Mohammed Hussein, who according to "Falastin," had been wanted by the Arab Legion for spying, was not tried by a military court for lack of evidence. When caught, the paper claimed, Haj Suleiman had in his possession an Israel identity card showing that he served with the Israel Defence Army, a Jordan passport, IL.50, and some Jordan and Syrian currency.

MILKMAN FINED

TEL AVIV, Tuesday (ITIM). — A milkman who refused to deliver milk to a customer for 11 months following a quarrel with the housewife was fined IL.50 with the alternative of two weeks in prison, by the Anti-profiteering Court here today.

The man, Nahum Kesinovsky, had refused to deliver milk to the family of Mr. Itzhak Almador, of Rehov Kin Harod here, following a quarrel with Mrs. Almador arising out of smaller milk rations.

Magistrate Y. E. Hafevi imposed a light sentence in view of the accused's clean record and the fact that the Almador family had meanwhile been supplied by another milkman.



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THE accession of Prince Hussein to the throne appears to be the anti-climax in the Jordan drama. The crisis in JORDAN AND GAZA came with King Abdullah's murder, and it culminated in King Talal's manifold escapades and peregrinations. But government and administration have not broken down in Jordan. State authority has been in the hands of a three-man Regency Council, and it will remain so for a year, if not more. This Regency Council has been nicely balanced by Tewfik Abu'l Huda who may by now regard himself as a second Warwick. It consists of a former Prime Minister, a member of a leading family of Northern Jordan, and a Palestinian Arab.

Keeping the balance has been Abu'l Huda's main task, and this goes for Jordan's domestic as well as foreign policy. He has played Iraq against Egypt and Syria against Iraq, and has adhered much more faithfully to the policy of the Arab League than any former Jordan Prime Minister, though that institution is not exactly at the nadir of its influence at the present time. The recent visit of Ahmed Shukeiry, the Deputy Secretary of the League, to Jordan and his talks with ministers in Amman have been additional evidence in that respect. At the same time Abu'l Huda has favoured maintaining close ties with Egypt, which has latterly become somewhat difficult through the fault of Jordan's. Egypt is now considerably less interested in events in the neighbouring Arab countries than it was, and it is also less likely to interfere in Arab affairs.

At home Abu'l Huda tried hard to keep the balance between Jordan and Palestine Arabs, between pronounced pro-British and pointedly anti-British personalities and groups, between the adherents of the traditional Hashemite line and followers of the ex-Mufti. His conflict with the exiled Emir Naif must be viewed mainly against that background, though personal issues may have been involved.

The young king is expected not to offer any objections in the near future, nor is there any organized opposition in parliament, which has become somewhat (although not much) more important than it was during the last years of the reign of Abdullah.

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No major political changes can therefore be expected in the neighbouring Kingdom of Jordan, but it is another one of Israel's border areas which has featured conspicuously in the news in recent days. It has already been pointed out that the Gaza area belongs to Palestine, and that it became Egyptian-occupied territory following the Rhodes Armistice. It has not become part of Egypt (even Cairo has not claimed that), and Israel must have a say in the future of the area, in the event of any change in its international status. No transfer or alteration may be carried out without Israel agreement. For the Rhodes agreement specifically states that "rights, claims, or interests... may be asserted by either Party... and shall be, at the discretion of the Parties, the subject of a later settlement." Apart from the general considerations involved, moreover, there is a clause about military dispositions (Art. 7) which states explicitly, "In the course of the evacuation from under Egyptian control (read Gaza), Egyptian defensive forces only may be maintained." An annex to the Treaty limits "defensive forces" to three infantry battalions, a single battery of field guns, and an ack-ack battery which goes on to establish territorial aircraft, and all airfield installations. Nor may a naval base be built, while warships are barred from the adjacent territorial waters.

It is, of course, too soon to discuss seriously what Israel's attitude might be to any transfer of British forces from the Canal Zone to the Gaza strip, as long as such a scheme continues to be nothing more than the subject of recurrent rumours and their subsequent inevitable denials. It is nevertheless important to bear in mind that Jerusalem must be a party to any agreement of such a nature between Cairo and London.

Disappearance Of The Five Year Plan

By EDWARD CRANKSHAW

THIS week there is due exactly half way through the period that should have been its second post-war five year plan. The Central Statistical Bureau has just issued its routine quarterly statement of Plan Fulfilment, which for two and half years has told the world nothing at all. This statement is expressed in a bare list of percentages — e.g. coal 100.8 per cent of planned production, motor cars and tractors 102 per cent, meat and dairy industry 94 per cent. — which mean nothing because nobody knows the target figures.

There have been plenty of real indications that we have seen the end of the public planning system — at least for some years to come: first, for example, the new tightening up of security regulations which makes it a treasonable act for a collective farmer to comment to a stranger on the weight of his harvest; second, the evident fact that the central planners have for some time been shifting from the principle of a balanced and cut-and-dried plan to cover all industry and agriculture over a five year period, and relying increasingly on a network of ad hoc plans covering separate sections of industry and agriculture according to the needs and opportunities of the moment — a system of shifting priorities, in a word, which makes nonsense of any balanced long-term planning.

People's Anti-Climax

Nobody knows what goes on in the planning committees which have replaced the old State Plan Commissions; but as far as the public is concerned the Soviet Union has been without a published plan for two and a half years, and seems likely to continue so. It is a curious state of affairs; and for a people whose lives and beings have been harnessed from 1928 to 1950 to the tremendous drive for the Five Year Plans (a long series of plans interrupted only by the war) it must produce an effect of anti-climax.

Stalin himself, in 1946, spoke openly and confidently of the tasks of the next three Five Year Plans, which would have taken us up to 1960. By that time the Soviet Union was to produce, for instance, 60 million tons of oil; 60 million tons of steel; 500 million tons of coal. And this great achievement was, according to Stalin, going to be enough to make her safe for all time.

It is the tremendous expansion of American production in the last two years which has made nonsense of Stalin's 1960 targets; and there is little doubt that one of the reasons for the abandonment of the published plans was to prevent public appreciation of the overwhelming superiority of American production. Another was to conceal from the world the proportion of the Soviet effort diverted from peaceful to military expansion.

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THE NEW KING OF EGYPT

The King of Egypt, Ahmed Fuad II, with his father, ex-King Farouk, and his mother Narriman, on the roof of their hotel in Capri. Express Photo

Peace, Its Wonderful...

THE evening peace of quiet folk in Jerusalem's German Colony was strangely shattered last week by the drumming of tom-toms. It was, actually, the hypnotic and frenzied hand-clapping accorded to Mr. Tewfik Toubi by his admirers at the Peace Committee get-together — from Mr. Toubi's point of view, an outstandingly successful occasion.

The organizers showed considerable thought when deciding on the Semadar — a modest little cinema — for their rally: it was packed solid by at least 500 hot enthusiasts, wriggling for a foothold, swarming on the windows and under the platform; at least 20 jockeyed for ear-space round the door. The audience consisted almost entirely of robust youths, practised in using knees and elbows.

After a dignified exhortation in Arabic for allies from Nazareth, Mr. Toubi stopped the thunderous applause and got down to business. Why had the Knesset declined that afternoon to receive the Peace Committee delegation? Because those elected spokesmen of our deluded nation were busy receiving other people — guests of a very different sort. Feverish silence while Mr. Toubi's voice rises an octave — "They were bowing to General Germ-warfare Ridgway; they were spreading the carpet for Lord Anti-Semite Mountbatten, and flirting with Herr Fascist officials of Bonn! (Furious boos for Bonn and cheers for M. K. Toubi).

TEWFIK TOUBI

The Knesset, and in particular Mr. Sharett, yelled Toubi, had no time for Peace, because they dealt in atom bombs, poison germs, disease, Nazi dollars and filth, whereas Russia — waving to the forlorn cardboard doves flapping over the platform — defended Peace. Long live Peace, burst from a battalion of juvenile Communist throats—clapping oblivious of discomfort to their neighbours' ribs. Peace! shouted Mr. Toubi, his voice hoarse with emotion and cigarette-smoke — "Russia works for Peace."

Glancing at his watch, for a bus will not wait for even eminent political speakers, the chairman timidly tapped Mr. Toubi's arm. Alas, all good things must come to an end.

G. L. C.

Readers' Letters

TECHNICAL TRAINING

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Vocational training is rightly mentioned as one of the most important factors in raising our technical standards and thus productivity.

It seems strange that the need for establishing a school for building technicians has never been adequately stressed.

As matters stand, civil engineers have no difficulty whatsoever in securing quite well paid positions. However much of their time is taken up with details, quantity surveying and building supervision tasks which could be performed far more efficiently by technicians specially trained for this type of work in a school along the lines of "Bet Hasefer Hamiktzo'i" of the Technion in Haifa.

Graduate engineers would then be able to devote more time to the study of technical problems, which in turn would lead to a much needed improvement in the professional standard of our younger engineers.

Yours etc,
I. ALPAN

Haifa, August 6

MUSICAL DIARY

THAT only performances with visual attractions are able to evoke genuine interest in the open air spaces of a Stadium again became clear on the occasion of the concert of 22 choirs at the Ramat Gan Stadium on Sunday night. Nevertheless, the event — the highlight of the first World Jewish Festival — gave proof of the fact that the idea of giving foreign choirs the opportunity to become acquainted with their fellow-singers in Israel, with the country and its music, was an excellent one. It is therefore regrettable that just the 40,000 who came to the Stadium had to miss any musical or personal contact. When, later in the evening, we returned home to listen to the second part of the programme over the radio the impression was much better, more direct and even more personal.

The two choirs which opened the festival at the Stadium — the Jewish Youth Choristers from the United States and the Italian Hazamir Choir — suffered from faulty loudspeaker transmission; later, when the loudspeakers worked satisfactorily, the many melancholy and yet dynamic songs performed by the various groups and the fact that the singers were far from the auditorium and therefore could not be seen properly added to the growing loss of contact between the performers and the audience. Quite outstanding, however, were two songs by the Canadian Choir, resolutely directed by Miss E. Stark — "Halleluja" by L. Levandowsky, with a splendid solo-alto sounding distinctly over the field; and the dynamic and joyful "Alouette."

Among the offerings by our own choirs, "Hanitta" by Lavry (sung by the Holon-Raanana Choir under Z. Caspi) and "Tomato" (Workers Choir Haifa-Kiryat Haim, conducted by composer Bick) were most appreciated — at least among the members of the other choirs who stood nearby and could hear them clearly. Later, on the radio, the folklore songs by the Yugoslavian Choir represented the most original performance of this part of the programme.

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In Haifa

MT. CARMEL's open air "Rama" (Cinema) is an amphitheatre well suited for concert performances, the acoustics being excellent for such purpose. But for the small group of musicians, the "Kol Yisrael" Wind Ensemble (Tel Oren and Schmucklen—Flutes, Rubinstein—Oboe, Berent and Schmuckler—Clarinets, Aharoni and Reis—Horns, Anaron — Bassoon) it was a hard test: It took some time for them to warm up their music in the pleasantly cool atmosphere. As the moon rose modestly between big electric bulbs, Mozart's Serenade in D major was played in an arrangement for wind-ensemble by M. Lustig who also arranged a Preclassical Suite and three Sonatas by Scarlatti. Lustig appeared as composer of a Fantasia on Israel Songs, a picturesque piece, well chosen for the evening's romantic surroundings. Haydn's Divertimento in B flat major, Dvorak's Bagatelle op. 47, arranged by Schlesinger, three short pieces by Jacques Ibert and Bizet's Suite Jeux d'Enfants, also arranged by Schlesinger, were well performed. Such summer concerts, arranged by the Mt. Carmel Educational Committee and the Department of Culture of the Haifa Municipality should become a regular feature in Haifa's musical life.

G.W.-B.

MEDICAL CARE AFFECTS FUTURE OF STATE

HEALTH AND IMMIGRATION

By Dr. M. SHEBA
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TWO of our health problems which are plain to anybody who looks below the surface are:

(1) How did we cope with our massive immigration from the health point of view, and how did we plan for each immigrant and his group from the point of view of his place in a healthy modern society? How did the absorption affect the aims of Zionism?

There was a time when admission of an immigrant was made dependant on a clean health sheet; this was before large scale illegal immigration.

During the time of intensified illegal immigration the question of unselected immigration came up. Our leaders felt that even sick people could be an asset to the country if Jewry overseas would take care of all the expenses involved in treating and rehabilitating such immigrants in Israel. Enthusiasm for the return to Zion, 12 years of Nazi regime and the promised rehabilitation with participation in the productive life in Israel seemed to support this, and Jewry was enthusiastic.

Today we are not only in a position to review this approach; we are obliged to do so. As physicians we are in a position to analyze the results of our immigration policy better than most and to draw conclusions.

We made serious mistakes; in the sphere of psychology more perhaps than in that of medicine in the narrower sense of the word. From the medical point of view I think we lived up to the needs of the operation, barring perhaps the sphere of health education.

Happy with Advising

With the European immigrants, our complete relinquishment of immigration regulations and rational social demands on them once Israel became a State, often provoked passive and negative mental attitudes in them towards our efforts to integrate and rehabilitate them. It is clear that we had at once to reclaim both a people and a country. Rehabilitation of the immigrant and of the country was essentially one historical action. It is unfortunate that too small a percentage went on the land to reclaim it.

Turning to the Asian and African countries, the same mistake was repeated in our over-emotional approach. Sincere kindness was an important factor in what was accomplished, but if the social environment for a people who have to begin a new life in a hard country is pity-infused, these people may become over-dependent and confused in relation to their social direction and obligation. This lesson we learned with the rehabilitation of war invalids too. Doctors should have taken a lead in putting themselves at the disposal of the immigration authorities, as workers for social health and civic feeling. The profession did not live up to the magnitude of the epoch: at most we were happy with advising.

In the sphere of curative medicine for immigrants, we have nearly full control of malaria and TB, but this does not excuse our failure in the social and psychological sphere, nor in that of health education. For this reason, we cannot reap the full fruits of our accomplishments in curative medicine, and we fall back as flies, bad or no sewage systems, poor housing and borderline nutrition cause epidemics of preventable diseases.

We put cure before prevention, we put pity before social justice. Such an emotional policy filled the country with a large number of people who not only cannot make a living on their own and contribute to the common weal, but who often require the services of the community either temporarily or permanently, because of total incapacity.

Unequalled Service

When immigration first flooded the country a unique opportunity arose to deviate from the existing system of working with unconnected medical agencies. The Government stepped in and undertook to provide all medical services for the temporary camp inhabitants as long as they remained in the camps.

However primitive this service was, it was and remains unequalled in this country in so far as it took care of this whole gigantic load of pain and sickness from all angles including the social one. There was a full emotional identification of the doctors and nurses with the community they served, even though it was a community of a passing variety.

It is my firm belief that this Jewish country with its limited resources is spending on medical care today more *per capita* than England under Aneurin Bevan, without having at least the satisfaction of doing as good a job as circumstances demand. There is a job of social medicine which could be done so much the better by a unified body — whole in its approach and philosophy — whole in its financial soundness and organization. This is still to be fought for. It is not easily conceded.

Insurance Value

(2) Competition, I admit, is an important factor in raising quality; therefore, the existence of many agencies was and is an incentive to improve upon quality — up to a point. However, speaking of a Jewish patient population, medical attendance has become a matter of daily routine and causes fantastic loss of working hours to the profession and the public. One notes that 3,500 doctors in Israel do reasonably well although so many services are rendered free by the Government and nearly 75 per cent of the population is health insured; this situation puzzles and worries one; is it good for the health? Could we afford it even if it were not harmful?

After all we went to Zion not only to build a state, but also to rebuild ourselves and discard our social weaknesses. We were inclined to introspection and hypochondria by the pressure of our social upbringing — as a sign of lack of outlet for certain natural forces.

In planning our integrated and social services, consideration has to be given to this particular mental attitude of our people. We Jews must educate ourselves to be health-conscious, not sickness-conscious. Social health-conscious, not pathology-conscious — and not pathologically conscious either.

From an address delivered last night at the Medical Congress in Jerusalem.

Second Stage of the Manoeuvres

The second stage of the manoeuvres in the central area, as was the case in the first, will also be carried out in the open spaces away from the heavily populated areas.

The Israel Defense Army will always endeavour to avoid unnecessary inconvenience to the civil population.

Nevertheless certain hardships will undoubtedly be experienced. Reservists, despite their being called up within the framework of their regular annual service, will be separated from their families and removed from their daily work. Road curfew will be implemented, and there will be need for special curfew passes etc.

If the civil population will demonstrate complete unity with the army, with full understanding of the necessity of the manoeuvres, it will have fulfilled an important and integral part making for the success of the test.

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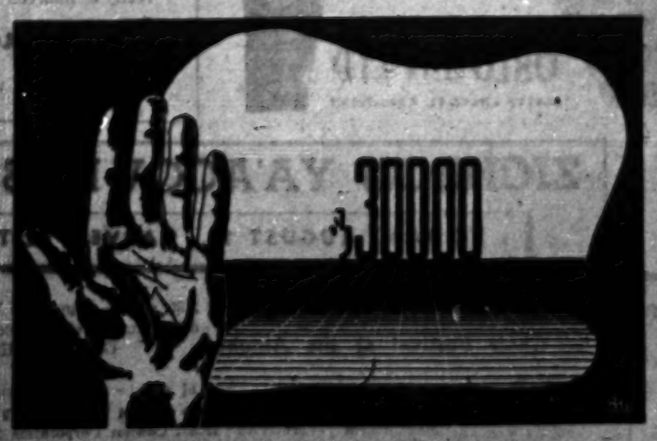

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